Jefferson County's Older Population

Social and Economic Characteristics

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	Jefferson County		Wisconsin
Household Income (Householder Age 65+)		Percent	Percent
Income less than \$35,000	3,842	63.5%	65.2%
Income less than \$50,000	4,921	81.3%	80.4%

Persons 65+ with Incomes Below Poverty Level	Number	Percent	Percent
Below Poverty	485	5.4%	7.4%
Below 2.0 x Poverty	2,287	25.5%	29.6%

Median Income: Comparing Age Groups	Dollars	Dollars
Total (Householders of all ages)	\$46,901	\$43,791
Householder 65 to 74 years	\$33,560	\$31,328
Householder 75 years and over	\$21,708	\$21,046

Employment Status: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Males Employed in Civilian Labor Force	813	20.8%	17.7%
Females Employed in Civilian Labor Force	572	10.5%	9.3%

Educational Attainment: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
65+; Less than 9th grade	1,820	19.5%	17.8%
65+; 9th to 12th grade; no diploma	1,383	14.8%	15.5%
65+; High school graduate (includes equivalency)	3,665	39.2%	38.2%
65+; Some college; no Bachelor's degree	1,451	15.5%	13.7%
65+, Bachelor's degree or more	1,022	10.9%	12.7%

Marital Status: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Never married	378	4.0%	4.7%
Married	5,113	54.7%	52.9%
Separated	438	4.7%	5.2%
Widowed	2,965	31.7%	31.3%
Divorced	447	4.8%	5.9%
Males, 65 and over, married	2,921	74.6%	71.3%
Females, 65 and over, married	2,192	40.4%	39.9%

Disability Status, Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Persons 65 or older with any disability	3,070	34.2%	36.5%
With a sensory disability	997	11.1%	11.9%
With a physical disability	1,923	21.4%	24.1%
With a mental disability	695	7.7%	7.6%
With a self-care disability	602	6.7%	7.5%
With a go-outside-home disability	1,470	16.4%	17.7%
Age 65+, with disability and income below poverty level	241	7.9%	10.6%